

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract as identified below.

A storage and retrieval unit comprises a supporting carriage which is movable along a rack aisle on at least one substantially horizontal supporting rail by ~~means of~~ a drive. A vertically adjustable lifting platform is suspended from the supporting carriage via at least three traction ~~means~~ devices. In order to prevent the lifting platform from being laterally deflected or starting to oscillate during accelerations of the supporting carriage, a stabilising device is provided. The latter comprises at least three traction ~~means~~ devices fastened to the sides of the lifting platform which are opposite in the direction of travel. At least two traction ~~means~~ devices run to at least two fastening points arranged in the region of one end of the aisle; at least one further traction ~~means~~ device runs to a fastening point arranged in the region of the other end of the aisle. The effective length of each traction ~~means~~ device between the lifting platform and the fastening point can be changed by a drive. The latter is controlled by a control system in such a way that all the traction ~~means~~ devices are taut in each desired position of the lifting platform.